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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - UNOFFICIAL VISIT RE PRECLEARANCE

REF : STATE 113978; PARIS 13555

1. PARTY WILL CONSIST OF JAMES F. GREENE, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE; JAMES GORSON, DIRECTOR-FACILITATION, AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION; AND PROBABLY CARL KETTLER, ATA DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL AFFAIRS. NORM STAFFORD, DIRECTOR OF FACILITATION FOR TWA, WILL ASSIST GROUP, BUT WILL NOT BE PART OF IT.

2. FOLLOWING IS ITINERARY:

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ETD DULLES 2030 MAY 15; ETA HEATHROW 0830 MAY 16 VIA PAA 6

VISIT HEATHROW AFTERNOON OF 17TH

ETD HEATHROW 1835 MAY 17; ETA CHARLES DE GAULLE 2030
MAY 17 VIA AF 853

VISIT CHARLES DE GAULLE AFTERNOON OF 18TH

ETD CHARLES DE GAULLE 0900 MAY 19; ETA FRANKFURT 0905
MAY 19 VIA AF 740

VISIT FRANKFURT AIRPORT MORNING OF 19TH

ETD FRANKFURT 1800 MAY 19; ETA ROME 2045 MAY 19 VIA
SINGAPORE 732A

VISIT FIUMICINO AND PALO CONTI, DIRECTOR OF AIRPORT
AUTHORITY, AT 2 P.M. MAY 20

GREENE RETURNS TO U.S. MAY 22; ATA MEMBERS DAY OR TWO
EARLIER.

3. AS NOTED STATE REFTEL, TRIP IS PRELIMINARY STEP,
INFORMAL AND LOW-KEY. ATA WOULD LIKE TO SEE IMMIGRATION
PRECLEARANCE IN MAJOR EUROPEAN GATEWAYS TO U.S. AND HAS
MADE INITIAL SOUNDINGS WITH EUROPEAN AIRLINES. PURPOSE
OF PRESENT TRIP IS SIMPLY TO SEE WHETHER MAJOR STRUCTURAL
CHANGES WOULD BE REQUIRED AT AFFECTED AIRPORTS IF PRE-
CLEARANCE WERE TO BECOME A REALITY, SO THAT AIRLINES CAN
HAVE AN ESTIMATE OF COST BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT
TO PURSUE IDEA.

4. GROUP WILL CONTACT POSTS UPON ARRIVAL. THEY WOULD
BE PLEASED TO BRIEF EMBASSY OFFICER ON STATE OF PLAY
AND/OR HAVE EMBOFF ACCOMPANY ON AIRPORT VISIT. GREENE
WILL ALSO BE IN TOUCH WITH INS OFFICES IN FRANKFURT AND
ROME.

5. IN VIEW INFORMAL NATURE OF TRIP, SCHEDULE, INCLUDING
AIRPORT VISITS, BEING ARRANGED BY ATA. KISSINGER
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